

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 8004

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A RESOLUTION to honor Mayor Paige Brown of Gallatin on being named the 2021 Mayor of the Year by the Tennessee Municipal League.

WHEREAS, from time to time, we specially recognize those Tennesseans who exhibit the highest commitment to excellence and dedicate themselves to serving the needs of their communities, cities, and municipalities; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Paige Brown of Gallatin is one such intrepid individual, who was recently recognized by the Tennessee Municipal League as the recipient of that organization's 2021 Mayor of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, every year since 1954, the Tennessee Municipal League has honored a city mayor who typifies the attributes of intelligence, effectiveness, hard work, dedication, and sacrifice in service to their community; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious award is a most befitting honor that recognizes Mayor Brown's myriad efforts toward improving Gallatin while continuing to maintain its reputation as the "Nicest Place in America," a title bestowed by *Reader's Digest* in 2017; and

WHEREAS, mayor of Gallatin since 2014 and currently in her second term, Paige Brown is the former executive director of the Gallatin Area Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Florida State University, she has been a writer, producer, and talent for corporate, nonprofit, and independent clients and served as a news reporter and anchor for a number of years in Florida before returning to Tennessee, where she worked for several shows on TNN and News Channel 5 in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, as mayor of Gallatin, Paige Brown has overseen the opening of the city's newest park and recreation facility, the Gallatin Miracle Park complex, which features a playground, a Miracle League field, and a pedal park; and

WHEREAS, under Mayor Brown's leadership, the City of Gallatin purchased nearly seventy acres of land to retain green spaces as she spearheaded efforts to beautify the city in her capacity as leader of the Gallatin Beautiful committee, which recognizes businesses that beautify their properties and organize cleanups in the community; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Paige Brown has also reached out to the senior citizens in her community by coordinating the Gallatin Senior Roundtable to evaluate and meet the needs of the community while also aiding the city in its effort to become a member of the AARP Livable City Initiative; and

WHEREAS, a leader among her peers, Mayor Brown serves as president of the Greater Nashville Regional Council, chair of the Tennessee Local Government Planning Advisory Committee, vice chair of the Regional Transit Authority, member of the executive committee of the Middle Tennessee Mayors Caucus, and board member of the Nashville Area Transportation Policy Board, the Tennessee Municipal League, the Tennessee Local Development Authority, and the Sumner County Anti-Drug Coalition; and

WHEREAS, Paige Brown has served with acumen, alacrity, integrity, and professionalism, and it is wholly fitting that we recognize her for her many positive contributions to Gallatin and the State of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Mayor Paige Brown of Gallatin upon her receipt of the Tennessee Municipal League's 2021 Mayor of the Year Award, applaud her unwavering

service to her community, and extend our best wishes for her continued success in all future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.